

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

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For: A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING AUSCULTATION SIGNALS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3, 5, 6, 8-10, 13, 16, 18-22 and 25 as follows:

Claim 3, line 1, change "claims 1-2" to --claim 1--.

Claim 5, line 1, change "claims 1-4" to --claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 1, change "claims 1-5" to --claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 1, change "claims 1-7" to --claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 1, change "claims 1-8" to --claim 1--.

Claim 10, line 1, change "claims 1-9" to --claim 1--.

Claim 13, line 1, change "claims 11-12" to --claim 11--.

Claim 16, line 1, change "claims 14-15" to --claim 14--.

Claim 18, line 1, change "claims 14-17" to --claim 14--.

Claim 19, line 1, change "claim 28-33" to --claim 14--.

Claim 20, line 1, change "claim 34" to --claim 19--.

Claim 21, line 1, change "claim 14-20" to --claim 14--.

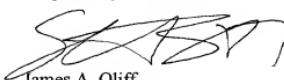
Claim 22, line 1, change "claim 14-21" to --claim 14--.

Claim 25, line 1, change "claim 14-24" to --claim 14--.

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 3, 5, 6, 8-10, 13, 16, 18-22 and 25 are amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and to correct claim dependency. Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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